



**CITY OF LODI
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

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AGENDA TITLE: Adopt Resolution Approving a One-Year Extension of the Street Tree Trimming 2007 Contract with West Coast Arborists, Inc., of Stockton (\$34,220)

MEETING DATE: June 6, 2007

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt resolution approving a one-year extension of the Tree Trimming 2007 contract with West Coast Arborists, Inc., of Stockton, in the amount of \$34,220.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: This project provides for the structural pruning and maintenance trimming of trees in a grid program which includes from 209 to 300 trees per grid. The contract with West Coast Arborists, Inc., was awarded on February 21, 2007. The objective of this contract is to improve the health of our urban forest and reduce costs.

The per-tree cost of \$59 is a substantial reduction from previous bids that did not utilize the grid method, which had an average cost of \$159 per tree. The grid covered originally with this contract has been completed with exceptional results. The contract contains options to renew, if mutually agreeable. West Coast Arborists has agreed to extend the contract for an additional year, honoring the prices for both the grid pruning and the optional bid items (tree removals, stump grinding, etc). This extension is requested now, in order to be in place immediately when the fiscal year starts in July. This contract did not include mistletoe abatement, as it was primarily to improve the overall condition of the urban forest. Provisions could be made through this contract for exclusive mistletoe abatement, estimated at \$10,000, should additional funding be made available.

FISCAL IMPACT: The fiscal year 07/08 budget proposed by the Public Works Department included an additional \$18,500 for an annual total of approximately \$53,000 which would improve pruning service to approximately a nine-year cycle. The additional amount will be added to this contract.

FUNDING AVAILABLE: This contract extension will total \$34,220, plus the additional \$18,500 added to the Street Fund for grid pruning, for a total of approximately \$53,000. This will be funded from the Streets and Drainage fiscal year 07/08 operating budget.

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Kirk Evans, Budget Manager

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for: Richard C. Prima, Jr.
Public Works Director

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George M. Bradley, Streets and Drainage Manager
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APPROVED: *[Signature]*
Blair King, City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-109

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL
APPROVING A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF THE
TREE TRIMMING 2007 CONTRACT

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby approve a one-year extension of the Tree Trimming 2007 contract with West Coast Arborists, Inc., of Stockton, California, in an amount not to exceed \$34,220; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the term of this extension shall be for the period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008.

Dated: June 6, 2007

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2007-109 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held June 6, 2007, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hansen, Hitchcock, Katzakian, Mounce,
and Mayor Johnson

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


RANDI JOHL
City Clerk